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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: O. S. Khalil, et al.

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PENETRATION DEPTH IN TISSUE AND  
DIAGNOSTIC APPLICATIONS USING SAME

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2005, **the period for response to which has been extended to October 23, 2005,** please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.